

The Farmers Leader

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PEOPLE'S PARTY STATE TICKET.

- For Congressman—
JOHN E. KELLY of Moody.
FREEMAN KNOWLES of Lawrence.
- For Governor—
ANDREW E. LEE of Clay.
- For Lieutenant Governor—
F. C. ROBINSON of Brown.
- For Secretary of State—
GEORGE SPARLING of Edmunds.
- For Treasurer—
MARIS TAYLOR of Beadle.
- For Auditor—
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L. F. KINTZ of Hutchinson.
- For Railroad Commissioner—
W. H. TOMPKINS of Pennington.

PEOPLE'S PARTY COUNTY TICKET.

- For State Senator—
S. A. ROMMEREIM, of Norway.
- For Representatives—
F. A. LEAVITT, of LaValley.
E. W. NORTON, of Lynn.
W. J. WIMER, of Canton.
- For Treasurer—
ZEPH. ELLIS, of Highland.
- For Auditor—
THOS. COLLINS, of Lincoln.
- For Register—
O. F. CARLSON, of Brooklyn.
- For Clerk of Courts—
C. R. MOULTON, of Springdale.
- For Supt. of Schools—
T. A. DAVIES, of Canton.
- For Sheriff—
SIMON ULRIKSON, of Canton.
- For Judge—
J. S. HATLESTAD, of Worthing.
- For Coroner—
A. H. ROGERS, of Canton.
- For County Com. 3rd District—
C. B. BROWN, of LaValley.

Keep this in your memory when you go to the polls on election day: The debt of the state increased over six hundred thousand dollars in seven years under the administration of Gov. Mellette and Gov. Sheldon, and in eighteen months under the business-like administration of Governor A. E. Lee, the debt of the state has been reduced three hundred and seventy-seven thousand dollars, (\$377,000.) You overburdened Republican taxpayer, please remember this before casting your vote in November. Besides this enormous debt wiped out, Governor Lee has fought the boogie gang until the state tax levy has been reduced 25 percent. If you want to be robbed some more, vote for Kit's machine ticket.

The reform forces of Lincoln county have a duty to perform in the present struggle that is far above any personal difference that arose in convention. This is no time for men to kick and pout when the welfare of the people is at stake. Shall the question of a people's victory be endangered by a division of the reform forces at a time when every anti-railroad man in the county should be shoulder to shoulder. Democrats, Silver Republicans and Populists can get together like men and forget the unpleasantness of convention times and thus insure a glorious victory. There will be other conventions and elections in Lincoln county.

If Kit and Kirk Phillips are defeated, the railroads will drop Kit as a hoodoo and call off their hired tools, and give the people of this state a rest from railroad domination. What a glorious victory it will be for all the people.

One would think the free silver orators in this state, including Mrs. Lease, were running for office by the vicious abuse of the Argus-Leader. Tomlinson and the Argus-Leader ends with the defeat of Kit and Kirk.

The reform forces in Lincoln county cannot afford to scatter their forces this year. Unite to a man on the Populist ticket. Many Republicans will join you. Throw your past differences to the winds.

Kittredge's defeat this year will forever end his power as a railroad boss in this state. How many good Republicans will help to do it in this county?

Kit and Kirk, a nice pair to gaze upon.

Lee is good for 10,000 majority.

OUR CANDIDATES.

The LEADER again presents the names of the gentlemen who are before the people of Lincoln county for election and the LEADER bespeaks for them a favorable verdict on November 8. Every man is well known in the county and every man in the list stands for a people's government as against railroad and boss rule of the Republican machine.

S. A. Rommereim, of Norway township, candidate for the state senate, is one of the best known farmers in that township, a man of strong convictions, reliable, straightforward, conscientious and earnest in behalf of good government, and a warm advocate of the right of the people to control railroads within the state. His election to the senate means one solid vote for justice as between the people and the railroads. He believes in justice to the railroads, but he also believes that the people should rule and compel the railroads to pay their just share of taxes and relieve the people from the payment of about \$200,000 in taxes which ought to be paid by the railroads on a fair valuation. Norway township ought to give him a solid vote, and for that matter every taxpayer in the county ought to vote for him. He represents equal taxation and justice between the people and railroads, and his opponent and the opposition represent extortion and robbery of the people through the domination of Kittredge and his gang. The LEADER does not believe that many Republicans will vote for the Kittredge nominees because that means the turning over of the state to the railroads, and the LEADER believes every man in the county knows what a Kittredge legislature means. The LEADER has not one word to say against the personal or social character of any man on the opposition ticket. They are all gentlemen, but the conditions which bring them before the people are such as to demand their defeat at the hands of the taxpayers, if the taxpayers want either justice, fair play, or honest taxation. Don't vote unjust taxation upon yourselves when you go to the polls November 8. Voters of Lincoln county, this is a serious question to consider, and the Sioux Valley News and many able Republicans all over the state have given you due and timely warning of what you may expect if Kittredge men are elected to the legislature. There is no political or party issue in this struggle. It is, shall the people rule this state or shall Kittredge and the railroads? The issue is plain. Do your duty like free American citizens and not like blind partisans.

For the House we have three solid citizens, Messrs. F. A. Leavitt, E. W. Norton and W. J. Wimer. All old settlers and men of sterling worth. The same reasons advanced for the election of Mr. Rommereim applies to each of these gentlemen. They are men the people can trust to vote right at Pierre. No Kittredge lobby will fool with them. The people want such men at the state capital, because if the legislature should be close the railroads will leave nothing undone to defeat the will of the people. The greatest issue ever before the people of this or any other state is the control of state affairs by the actual taxpayers. This issue outweighs all others in point of importance, because the welfare of the people and the state are at stake. Messrs. Leavitt, Norton and Wimer are men beyond the reach of any railroad lobby or other influence. Vote for them and you will have done your duty as men who believe in equal taxation and justice to rich and poor alike. It is hardly necessary to remind you again of what Kittredge and his nominees stand for.

"Honest" Zeph. Ellis, the six foot six inch veteran, nominated for county treasurer, is a man whom the voters of Lincoln county will delight to honor and elect to the office of treasurer. He is the soul of honor and a squarer man doesn't live. He is a successful farmer and competent in every way to discharge the duties of the office. A vote for Honest Zeph. Ellis will be a vote cast for a man who will guard every interest of the county and the taxpayer. Every reformer in Lincoln county can vote for this grand old veteran of the civil war and feel proud to honor this tried and true friend of the people. He believes that the people should rule and not the railroads. The LEADER has assurance that a number of Republicans and every reformer in the county will vote for Honest Zeph. Ellis, thus insuring his election. He is a grand figure. Vote for him.

The present sheriff, Simon Ulrikson, justly earned his renomination. He has made one of the best, if not the best sheriff Lincoln county has ever had, and his re-election for another term is conceded by all. Sheriff Ulrikson has surprised even his friends by his able management of the difficult and sometimes delicate duties he has been called on to perform in discharge of duty. The "Springdale terror," with his repeating rifle, who had "stood off" all comers before Sheriff Ulrikson, who took him in quietly and without injury to anyone. Sheriff Ulrikson goes over the county in a manner to gain him the esteem of all law-abiding citizens and a wholesome fear on the part of law breakers. He generally gets the right

man and has never faltered in face of danger. The people of this county want a man for sheriff whom they can trust and know that he will be fit for duty day or night, and such a man is our present sheriff. He has been tried and the people know his splendid qualities as an officer. He has proven to be a careful and faithful officer and will be re-elected by a majority nearly, if not quite as big, as that of 1896. A vote for Sheriff Ulrikson is a vote for a faithful officer.

O. F. Carlson, of Brooklyn, for register of deeds, is a splendid nomination. He has grown from boyhood to manhood in helping to develop one of the best townships in the county, in connection with his father and brother Albert. O. F. Carlson is thoroughly equipped to discharge the duties of register of deeds both by education and business training. He is worthy of election from every standpoint of consideration, and the LEADER firmly believes that he will be successful, because the register's office belongs to some enterprising young man from the country. The young men from the country are entitled to some show in the management of county affairs. Our opponents seem to believe that most of the candidates ought to be Cantonites. There is not a more worthy or deserving young man in the county than O. F. Carlson, and he will be elected.

For auditor we have Thos. H. Collins of Canton. Mr. Collins has been a Lincoln county farmer for a number of years, having resided in Lincoln township before removing to this city, which move was necessitated by failing health. Tom is all right now and his qualifications are such that he will be able to give Lincoln county an auditor whose equal has never held the office. Mr. Collins will be elected, not alone because he is a Populist but also on account of the genial disposition and pleasant manners with which he is possessed.

C. R. Moulton will succeed himself as clerk of courts. His nomination was conceded long ago, and his election will follow. The office of the clerk of courts is a credit to the county and is fully appreciated by Judge Jones. Mr. Moulton has the office in better condition than ever before, and this was expected by all who knew him. He is accommodating, courteous and pleasant in discharge of his several duties, which, coupled with his excellent business training, makes him one of the most successful officials in his line in the state. The LEADER is proud of his excellent record and so are the people of the county.

For superintendent of schools we have that thorough scholar and gentleman T. A. Davies, who will also succeed himself. It is not necessary for the LEADER to say more than that which every man in the county knows, to-wit: That a more faithful, careful and efficient superintendent of schools could not be found in this or any other county in the state. The LEADER can say nothing that would add to his well deserved popularity, and his majority will be such as he deserves and his friends expect.

Editor and Attorney J. S. Hatlestad, of Worthing, is the nominee for county judge, and will make a careful and competent official. It is not necessary for the LEADER to "write up" Bro. Hatlestad, as he is known by every voter in the county.

Dr. A. H. Rogers, of Canton, is the nominee for coroner, and the Doctor is a gentleman who can discharge the duties of the office. He is one of Canton's most eminent physicians.

The LEADER has thrown no mud at the Republican nominees. Republicans at Mitchell charged Kirk Phillips with receiving interest on state money and the Sioux City Journal so reported, and Republicans at Mitchell charged Roddie with taking, in violation of law, brand fees, and Roddie has since acknowledged the violation of law. There is no mud in repeating these Republican charges, and the Sioux Valley News knows it and every Republican in the state knows it, and more, there is no mud in charging Kittredge, Burke and Gamble with being railroad tools, for Nash is howling for the political blood of Kittredge, and wants Kirk Phillips to get off the ticket. The LEADER sees no necessity in throwing mud at Republican nominees, for Republican papers are doing all that kind of work to the Queen's taste.

The Republican revolt grows and the determination of the Republican insurgents to purify their party and destroy bossism is firm and unchangeable. There are probably 2,000 Republicans in the state who will vote against Kittredge's railroad ticket and say nothing about how they voted. Such Republican will put their stamp of condemnation upon the Kittredge-Johnson railroad-elevator gang by voting for Gov. Lee and his ticket, and forever free the Republican party of this state from the curse of railroad bosses. It's a heroic remedy, but no other medicine will cure the disease.

Nash is a weak-kneed sister at the best, and it seems amazing in the light of past events that Nash had courage enough to denounce the Republican boss and "soldier hater" Kittredge.

United States Senator Mat Quay of Pennsylvania, and his son, are held to the grand jury in \$5000 bond each to answer to the state for fraudulent use of state money, by which the great Peoples Bank of Philadelphia "busted," and the cashier committed suicide. Mr. Quay's influence compelled the state treasurer to deposit \$600,000 in the Peoples Bank, with the understanding that young Quay was to have the use of \$100,000. Quay got the money and the bank busted and the cashier took his own life. Taylor of South Dakota didn't suicide because republican Mat Quays guaranteed a very light sentence. Now comes another startling situation in the financial history of the state. If Kirk Phillips has taken the interest on state money, and it seems he has, how is he going to pay it back? The money is undoubtedly squandered. Kirk, according to the Deadwood papers, is not very well heeled financially. Governor Lee will undoubtedly bring action against Phillips to compel him to return such interest money to the state as he may have received. If Phillips should be elected governor he can regulate the whole matter and cover up his tracks, and thus postpone another Taylor scandal perhaps. The desperation of the Argus-Leader and other railroad organs would indicate that something dreadful will happen if Phillips is defeated. Phillips must be defeated and thousands of honest Republicans will help to do it and save their party from another exposure, perhaps, a trifle less in importance to Taylor's. Nothing short of such a desperate situation could have driven Phillips into a nomination.

Kittredge has sworn a solemn oath that any man who opposes his railroad bossism in the present struggle, shall never be recognized in the councils of the Republican party of this state. Kittredge's solemn vow will do him no good. After this campaign is finished, Kit will be a dead duck, and the few officials who are doing the dirty work for him now, will only be too glad to escape total political destruction by joining the standards of Ringerud, Dollard, Pickler, Greeley and others, who are determined to destroy Kittredge and his gang of political traitors to both party and people. If the people of this state, Republicans as well as reformers, only do their full duty, Kittredgeism and its corrupting influence will trouble our people no more.

The school and public land department of this state will develop something that will make interesting reading if the reform candidate, John Scollard, is elected. Dave Eastman, Lockhart's deputy for four years, was nominated to succeed Lockhart, and many Republican papers opposed this unusual proceeding. Lockhart wanted a man to succeed him whom he could trust. When John Scollard takes possession of the public land department, don't be surprised if you hear of some mighty interesting developments. Jack Lockhart was no fool when he had Dave Eastman nominated to succeed him. Wait until you hear from John Scollard.

You can make no mistake if you vote for W. J. Wimer for member of the legislature, as he has already shown his ability to be competent to discuss the issues of this campaign. Mr. Wimer is an active worker in the interest of the people as he has addressed quite a number of audiences in the county since his nomination and he has won the admiration and respect of those who have heard him, and in his political speech before a large Canton audience he was admired by his opponents for the masterly manner in which he conducted himself and the fairness in which he treated those who differed with him.

Candidate Burke, on the Republican ticket for congress, the worst Kittredge railroad tool in the whole gang, has been to see Nash of the News, and Nash thinks Burke is pretty nice. Burke is slick. No man at Pierre worked so hard as Burke to defeat the present railroad law. He was the mouthpiece of the railroads in the house.

Every voter in Lincoln county who is opposed to railroad control of the state should vote the Peoples ticket.

PLAIN WORDS.

The Sisseton Inter-Empire, one of the radical republican organs of the state, published at Sisseton, Roberts county, has the following plain language in the issue of October 6.

"The old corrupt Republican ring that has run things in this county for the past fifteen years has finally been hit a deserving bat on the jaw, had its tail twisted into a kink, and now stands ready to fall into the grave which for years it has been digging for itself. It has been the policy of these corruptionists to kick every man out of the party who would not bow in humble obedience to their leaders' warcry, until the party stands today almost a total wreck.

Prate, ye gang hirelings and ye who love your party for what you can extract from it, and pour forth in rivers your vile epithets and scurrilous ejections, but the rotten gang of this county will be buried in November to rise no more forever, for Republican gang rule in Roberts county must cease.

Ex-Governor Sheldon admitted in his Deadwood speech that the railroads would pay just what taxes pleased them, and would pay none at all if forced to pay a just tax. Sheldon said the railroads proposed to run this state and bleed the people, and that Republicans on the equalization board dare not raise the valuation of the roads. In Republican eyes, Sheldon raised hell by such foolish speech. Sheldon also slopped over on the interest question, and intimated that if Phillips had taken interest, he or his bondsmen would pay it back. According to the Deadwood Independent, Republicans are furious at Sheldon admitting so much, because it has convinced many doubting Republicans that Kirk Phillips is guilty as charged and they are afraid of another Taylor scandal.

The Sioux Valley News has been after Kittredge, whom it dubbed the "soldier hater," to resign ever since the Mitchell convention, and now the News is after Kirk Phillips and wants him to deny taking interest on state money or resign and if Phillips won't do either, the News favors the State Central Committee taking Phillips' name from the ticket. Nash is getting to be a good deal of an insurgent, and he has got to defeat Kittredge and Phillips or leave the party. Hurrah for Nash! He is getting brave enough to fight the corrupt bosses in his own party. Will he vote for Phillips? No. He can't do that. What will he do? We give it up.

The LEADER frankly admits that it is proud of the dozen or more Republican papers who are brave enough and honest enough to help destroy the corrupt railroad bosses in the party, bosses who care no more for party than a Pillager Indian. Kittredge is no use to the railroads unless he can boss the party and name men for office who will do the bidding of the railroads. To destroy the infamous power of Kittredge, you must destroy or defeat the men whom he named at Mitchell. If the Republicans of this state mean to rescue their party from men who have sold the party to the railroads, Republicans will know how to vote.

The high freight and passenger rates proposed and contended for by Kittredge, Kirk Phillips and the gang, is one of the most brazen-faced robberies ever attempted on an intelligent people. The highwayman's stand and deliver is a respectable manner of robbing, alongside of the method proposed by Kittredge, Phillips, Burke and Gamble. Some Republicans will vote to see themselves robbed, vote to stand up and deliver their hard earned wealth to the gang combination, but all Republicans are not party blind, especially when the party is owned and bossed by the soldier hater Kittredge.

ANOTHER INSURGENT.

The Redfield Journal Observer, always strongly Republican, has the following insurgent editorial in the issue of October 6:

"Aleck Johnson was over from Watertown Monday, snooping around after nightfall trying to pick up something about the political situation in Spink county. Aleck is wisely discreet in keeping out of sight as much as possible when he visits some counties in this state, where he and his pal, Kittredge, are held in political contempt and disfavor. Candidates in this neck of the woods realize that it means disaster to their official chances to be seen hobnobbing or consorting with this arch lobbyist and political trickster. Yet the administration officers at Watertown recognize this fellow as one of the referees for official jobs in South Dakota!

"Yet many Republicans in the state today are going to 'scratch' the candidates for governor and congressmen on their ticket because of this unmerited and unusual recognition of an ordinary fellow, whose only claim for public notice is that he was once chairman of the state Republican committee when the late and much lamented W. B. Sterling was secretary and the de facto chairman of the committee.

"It was disgusting enough to see Kittredge and Johnson degrading their positions as official 'pie' distributors in wire-pulling the delegates at the Mitchell convention to fix the ticket to their liking. But to find Johnson making appointments with that traitorous demagogue and political scamp, Loucks, at the behest of the state organization, and visiting the counties in this part of the state in the guise of an elevator man to fix the political complexion of the counties, it is a pestiferous activity that we feel safe in predicting the people are going to resent at the polls on Nov. 8 next.

"Certainly, if Lee, Kelley and Knowles are elected, a large measure of their success will be due to this general disgust of Kittredge and Johnson for their conspicuous lack of political sagacity, their inconsistencies in enforcement for office and their pernicious activity in dominating the Republican ticket."

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Notice of Teachers Examination.

An examination for teachers and those desiring to teach will be held at Canton Friday, Nov. 4, 1898, commencing promptly at 8.30 a. m.

The examination will be conducted on the third floor of the court house. Bring paper and ink. Paper will be furnished.

T. A. DAVIES,
County Supt.

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W. W. Tabb

West Branch, district No. 20, Eden twp., Oct. 27.

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Grant twp., district No. 40, Oct. 29.

Meetings at 8 p. m.